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Id. at 579; *see also Cooper v. Sheriff, Lubbock County, Tex.*, 929 F.2d 1078, 1084 (5th Cir. 1991) (quoting *Ulmer*, 691 F.2d at 213)). Courts should generally make specific findings on each of these factors. *Jackson v. Dallas Police Dep't*, 811 F.2d 260, 261 (5th Cir. 1986).

At this early stage of the litigation, the plaintiff has failed to show that counsel should be appointed. Her pleadings and written submissions reflect some understanding of court rules and procedures. The issues in the case are fairly straightforward and not complex. At this time, it is unclear whether the evidence in this case will consist of conflicting testimony so as to require skill in the presentation of evidence and cross-examination or whether the appointment of counsel will shorten trial or assist in a just determination. If the case proceeds to trial, the Court may on its own motion reconsider whether the circumstances warrant appointing counsel at that time.

The motion for appointment of counsel is **DENIED**.

SO ORDERED on this 2nd day of November, 2023.


IRMA CARRILLO RAMIREZ
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE